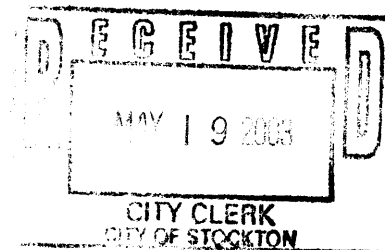




Stockton Scavengers Association
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May 16, 2003



Katherine Gong Meissner
City Clerk
City of Stockton
425 N. El Dorado Street
Stockton, CA 95202

Re: Collection Service Agreement for Solid Waste, Recyclables Materials, and
Green Waste and Food Waste Services between City of Stockton and USA Waste
of California, Inc.

Dear Ms. Meissner:

Pursuant to Section 2104 of the Stockton City Charter, please accept this letter as written acceptance by USA Waste of California, Inc. d/b/a Stockton Scavengers Association of the franchise granted by Ordinance 014-03. As you are aware, Section 2104 states: "Any franchise granted hereunder shall not become effective until written acceptance thereof shall have been filed by the grantee with the City Clerk."

Please contact me at 916-294-4003 or aoseguera@wm.com if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

Alex Oseguera
Vice President
USA Waste of California, Inc.

cc: Alan MacIsaac, District Manager